



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.312

Honorable Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Subsequent to the Notice of Allowance dated October 13, 2004, kindly amend the above-identified Application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.